

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Examiner's action dated March 27, 2003. Claims 72 and 78-87 have been cancelled and claims 31, 36, 68, 69, 71, 73, and 74 have been amended without prejudice. New claims 88-97 have been added. Reconsideration and full allowance are respectfully requested.

Initially, Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 1-68. It is noted in this regard that claims 31, 36 and 68 have been amended to correct typographical errors. The Examiner also indicated that claims 72 and 78-87 include allowable subject matter. The subject matter of former claim 72 has generally been incorporated into independent claim 69, though former claim 72 referred to "ones" of said first lateral beams being vertically spaced from the substrate whereas independent claim 69 now requires only that "a second one" of said first lateral beams is spaced from the substrate. The subject matter in former claim 78 is generally presented in new independent claim 88. The subject matter of former claims 79-87 is generally presented in new claims 89-97.

The Examiner rejected claims 69-71 and 73-77 under Section 102. It is believed that this rejection has been obviated by generally incorporating subject matter deemed allowable as set forth above.

Based upon the foregoing, Applicants believe that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and such disposition is respectfully requested. In the event that a telephone conversation would further prosecution and/or expedite allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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